

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
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For: VARIABLE-STIFFNESS VEHICLE  
SUSPENSION SYSTEM

Examiner: J. M. Rocca

DO NOT ENTER: /JR/

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated October 27, 2008, finally rejecting claims 9-24, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.